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[redacted] David Martin, in the office of Senator Thomas J. Dodd, called and asked again whether the Agency would be willing to provide the Senator with confidential memoranda substantiating the fact that the Senator's office was in touch with us on two occasions in an attempt to obtain information on Soviet murders, assassinations and kidnappings. I told Martin that I felt any communication which the Agency might make on this subject would have to be in response to a request from Senator John Stennis in his capacity as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Standards and Conduct and that we should reply directly to him. Martin said this could be "arranged" by having the Senator ask the Chairman to make such a request. I told Martin that whatever the Senator wished to do in this regard, was a matter for determination by the Senator and, similarly, any request which the Chairman might wish to make was up to him. Martin said he appreciated our position in the matter.

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[redacted] Talked with William Darden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and ascertained that he had not had a chance to brief Senator Russell about the RAMPARTS article. I also pointed out that there had been a specific request out of the White House that the Senator be briefed. Mr. Darden indicated he did not feel it appropriate under the circumstances for him to call the Senator who is away and will not be back in the office until Thursday. He indicated that if the Senator was in touch with him, he would brief him as well as he could on the telephone. I also alerted Darden to the NEW YORK TIMES and WASHINGTON STAR possibilities.

I queried Darden on the official status of Senator Strom Thurmond as a member of the CIA Subcommittee of Senate Armed Services. Darden confirmed that this had been officially approved.

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25X1 9. [] Cord Meyer and John S. Warner met with Representative Wright Patman to explain the forthcoming RAMPARTS article. Mr. Meyer gave a brief background on how we got into these activities and also touched on how RAMPARTS got its information. In addition, Mr. Meyer pointed out that it is quite possible that the NEW YORK TIMES would have something on this tomorrow and also that the WASHINGTON STAR would have some parts of this story and may be publishing something soon. Mr. Patman said he understood and certainly if these activities were approved by the President, he would support us and do everything possible to assist. He was requested to let us know if he had any serious approaches on this topic. I will endeavor to keep in touch with him. 25X1

Prior to the above discussed meeting with Representative Patman



25X1 10. [] Talked with Russ Blandford, House Armed Services Committee staff, advising him that, in connection with dates for briefings of the full Armed Services Committee, we had commitments outstanding on the 15th, 16th and 21st of February. He indicated that the most likely date now appeared to be 28 February.

25X1 11. [] OCI, accompanied by [] gave a general briefing for Mr. William Bader, Senate Foreign Relations Disarmament Subcommittee staff, on Pakistan, Morocco, and Iran. The primaries of interest, political relations and political analysis, resulted in a relatively unclassified content. Mr. Bader was most appreciative on behalf of the Chairman and expressed the Chairman's concern as to the difficulty of solution to many of the existing problems in the area.

25X1 12. [] Met with Mr. Austin Smith, House Appropriations Committee staff, and arranged for the use of a viewgraph for the Director's briefing of the Committee.

25X1 13. [] Met with Mr. Sam Scott, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, at his request. He advised that he is doing a paper for Senator Dirksen relating to the Consular Convention and requested Agency assistance with regard to the question of treatment of American travelers in the Soviet Union as compared with treatment of others.

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